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SACRAMENTO AREA COMMUNITY WOMEN'S NETWORK INC.

SACRAMENTO AREA COMMUNITY WOMEN'S NETWORK (SACWN) REFLECTS ON 1999

SACWN hopes that you as the subscriber have enjoyed the new and improved SACWN. In the beginning of the year SACWN began reorganization. SACWN's goals were to be inclusive and have representation of all our lesbian sisters' in and about the surrounding area.

Looking back at 1999, SACWN has made extraordinary changes in its' image and awareness of diversity. We have changed our SACWN name to include "Community" and not career. We have expanded our picnic to include family and friends. We have increased our support in subscribers with a total of 232 women. In addition, our subscribers and the SACWN's Executive Steering Committee members are diverse in representation of age, interest, ethnicity and economics. SACWN accepts and embraces diversity in all aspects of the lesbian community.

Let's inventory the awesome and memorable SACWN events of 1999!

We started out the year with Suzanne Westenhoefer, a topnotch lesbian comedian. She brought out the amusement and pleasures of having and not having a sweetheart. Celebrating Valentine's weekend with Ms. Suzanne was a have to do! She had the acoustics at the Crest Theater out of control with nonstop laughter.

In May, SACWN had its' first picnic at East Portal Park. Thanks to everyone's commitment to having fun in the sun with SACWN, this picnic will go down in history as a fabulous great time. There were card games, volleyball, beanbag toss, and croquet for anyone that wanted to indulge or partake in the challenge of the sport.

The second picnic in September at East Portal Park was an adventure for SACWN, because this was the first family and friends picnic. This event was pleasurable and the picnic generated warmth by having children and extended family members present. There was face painting, games and just a whole lot of amusement for everyone.

We can not forget the Monarch basketball game excursion. This event was an experiment to see if we could recruit 20-25 women to participate in the Monarch excitement. There were approximately 30 women that attended this event and we had prime seats at Arco arena. Plus, the game was a nail biter! Well, if SACWN does this event next year we will surely let you know, because the Monarch event was a "two thumbs up"!

Now, we can not forget the SACWN Dances! Thanks to Anna's vision and hard work, SACWN was able to sponsor many dances in 1999. We had a Gay Pride Dance in June, a Hot August Women's dance, a Women's Dance in September, and the best of the best was the huge Halloween Dance. To encourage participation and attendance at these events, SACWN tried very hard to keep the cost down. The results were astounding as the many that did attend had a truly wonderful and memorable time! In addition, some of these events had a 50/50 raffle with proceeds going to

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COMMITTEES

Activities Committee--Anna (344-0386)
Welcoming Committee--Toni (393-1617)
Newsletter Committee--Sandy (772-8630)
Special Interest Groups ("SIGs")--Dee (443-2377)
Volunteer Coordinator and
Community Outreach--Phoenix (372-6051)
Data Entry--Nancy (452-6007)

Women who want to participate in the operation of SACWN are encouraged to contact any of the above listed committee coordinators.

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8:00 pm to 1:00 am
at Portuguese Hall, 6676 Pocket Road, Sacramento

Music by Roni and the Flight
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SACWN, PO Box 40593, Sac., CA 95834-0593
For more info, call (916)451-8834

Activities for the Year 2000

On Saturday, November 13th, a group of SACWN leaders gathered to brainstorm ideas for SACWN activities for next year. They came up with the long and varied list that follows. Since we cannot do all these activities, we will narrow the list to those that we think will engage as many of you as possible. You can help us choose by telling us in writing or by phone which of these activities interest you.

SPORTS
Volleyball Tourney
Roller Blading
Cross Country Skiing
Golf Tourney
Softball League
Pool Party (Table Pool)

LECTURES /PERS. GROWTH
Women's Healing Circle
Massage Night
Informative, Financial, Political Lectures
History/Art Tours
Inspirational Women Lectures

TRIPS
Ocean Camping Trip
Small Town Mania
San Fran. Dyke March
Lake Shasta
History Art Tour
Day Trips
Sports Events
Camp Out
Boat to San Francisco
Bus to Tahoe

FUN (MEET & GREET)
Monthly Mixers
Swim Party
Day at Veronas Village
Singles Social
After Work Social
Coffee Hour
Fun Night (Games, etc.)
Friday at Borders Books

FOOD EVENTS
Thanksgiving Potluck
Nationality Potluck
Dessert/Coffee & Games
Potluck
Sunday Brunch
Progressive Dinner
Zip Code Potluck

PICNICS
Summer
Cultural
Family

GAMES
Card Party
Fun Night
Bingo

ENTERTAINMENT
Comedy
Movie Night
Lambda Play
Entertainers
Sports Events
River Boat Cruise
Amateur Night Contest
Women's Concert

FUNDRAISERS
Garage Sale
Silent Auction
Mardi Gras Night
Casino/Monte Carlo Night
50/50 Raffle

DANCES
New Years
Monthly
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May Dance
Valentines
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St.. Patricks Day
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Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

SACWN's Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are small, friendly groups of women who get together monthly (if not more often) to share activities of mutual interest. New members are always welcomed, so we encourage you to call the contact people listed to find out what activities are being planned.

Have an interest but don't see such a group listed below? No problem. Just call Dee (443-2377) who will help you get your new group advertised in the next newsletter.

Top 10

Top 10 is a group of women over 50 and women who love women over 50. Each month we get together for a meal at a local restaurant or for special at-home potlucks. Please remember to RSVP for all events and call early as seating may be limited.

- Search the house high, search it low...find a White Elephant...Ho Ho Ho. Saturday, DEC. 18th at 2:30 pm Dot & Betty will host Xmas Potluck Party. They will provide the turkey, we will provide side dishes and drinks. Be sure to bring wrapped White Elephant present for gift exchange. RSVP by Dec. 15th

  Dot & Betty 456-2577

- On Sunday, Jan. 23rd from 1:00 to 6:00 pm, Mary S. is hosting "table games" afternoon. Bring snacks and drinks. RSVP by Jan. 21st.

  Mary S. 395-4147

Newcomers

Are you new to the area or the lifestyle, and want to meet new people? Give me a call and I will do all I can to provide you with information to help you get tuned in to the network of activities available.

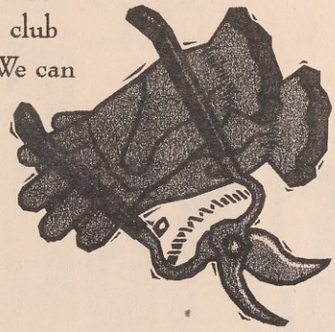
Diana, 487-3124

Fool House Poker Group

Feeling lucky? Then join me for a friendly game of poker every 2nd Friday of the month. Novice players welcome. I guarantee you will have a good time. For time and location of game, call

Gretchen, 922-6287

NEW! Garden Club



I'm starting a lesbian garden club and invite you to join me. We can share information, plantings and check out landscape tours too. If interested, call

Glenda, 454-0246

Half Fast Hiking Group

This is a well organized, friendly group of serious hikers who know how to have fun. We are in our fourth successful year of day-hiking with hikes scheduled once a month all year long. We walk at a comfortable pace and usually average about five miles round trip on hikes that are rated "easy" to "moderate". Call for a calendar of events and an information sheet. All newcomers receive a warm welcome. Please join us for the time of your life!

Kathy 979-9374

PS. Ann is turning the reins over to Kathy for awhile. She is still recuperating from foot surgery. Our thanks to Ann for her good works for the hiking group.

Disabled Lesbians

I am starting a support SIG for Lesbians who are disabled. If you are interested in participating, please call.

Jane G. (530)346-6903

Pool Group

Do you like to play pool for fun? If you are interested in getting together with other women to play pool, call:

Mary J, 731-8531

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) cont..

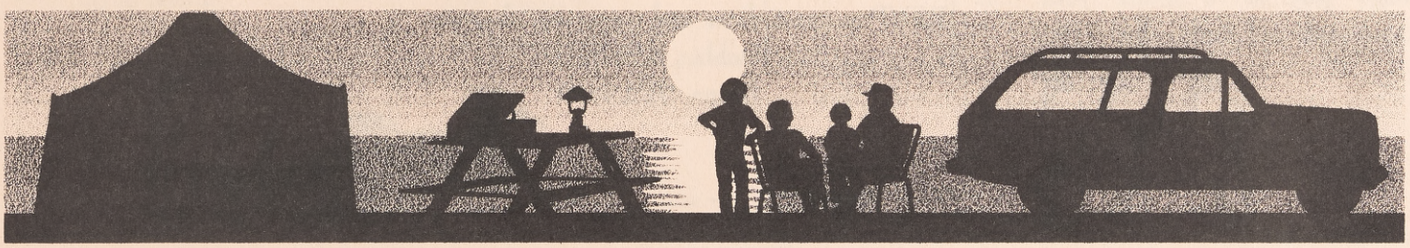
Rainbow Campers

Rainbow Campers, founded by the late Jayne Roundtree, is a loose knit group of lesbians who get together and camp at preselected campgrounds each month, April through October. In October, Rainbow Campers held our planning meeting where we created for next year the following schedule:

DATES:	DESTINATIONS	WAGONEERS
April 14 thru 16	Colma on the American River	Mary, 723-5269
May 19 thru 21	Canyon Creek Resort at the base of Monticello Dam	Necole, 530-661-2319
June 9 thru 11	Casini Ranch Duncan Mills	Gail, Denice & Kathy, 641-8565
July 14 thru 16	Goose Lakes Area Quincy/Tahoe Area	Karen, 927-7627
August 25 thru 27	Wrights Beach on the coast.	Carolyn & Nancy, 961-4722
September 22 thru 24	Olema on the coast	Karen, Joyce & Mary 927-7627
October 20 thru 22	Coloma on the American River	Mary, 723-5269

How to attend a Trip

- Call the Wagoneer for the trip(s) you want to attend. The Wagoneer makes group reservations up to 60 days in advance of the scheduled camping date, so, call her early.
- The Wagoneer will tell you the site fee and cancellation date. She will request that you send her the fee for the number of nights that you plan to camp.
- If you decide to cancel your reservation, call the Wagoneer before the cancellation date. Fee refunds cannot be made after the cancellation date.
- Wrights Beach is a dry camp (no water or electricity) and is very much in demand. Call Carolyn and Nancy as soon as possible to get the phone number to make a reservation directly with Wrights Beach reservation system. This is the only trip for which we cannot make a group reservation.
- A potluck is held on Saturday night of each camp out. Bring a dish of your choice, no assigned foods. We always have enough main dishes, vegetables, breads and deserts, so, your choice. Plan on feeding 4 to 6 people.
- Pack, load and meet us there!



Special Interest Groups (SIGs) cont..

Arts and Entertainment

Sunday, Dec. 12th California Crafts Exhibit "Material Witness" at Crocker Art Museum. We will meet at 1:00 pm at Open Book, 910 21st St.. for coffee and planning future activities. RSVP by Dec. 11th.

Dee, 443-2377

Dec. date ? Movie "Boys Don't Cry", Brandon Teena story. If interested, call

Mary, 395-4147

Saturday, Jan. 8th, Sacramento Philharmonic program of Mahler & Copeland. RSVP by Jan. 3rd.

Sharon, 421-3890

Saturday, Jan. 15th, "Six Women with Brain Death", RSVP by Jan. 5th

Dee, 443-2377

Friday, Feb. 25th, Lambda Players "Make Way for Dyklings". RSVP by Feb. 15th.

Mary 395-4147

Volunteer to be an usher at a well known local playhouse and see the stage play as a thank you. If interested, call Kathy, 920-2162.

Coffee Group

Come for coffee company and congenial conversation. No RSVP necessary, but call if you want more information. The Coffee Group will meet on Sunday, Dec. 19 at 2:30 pm, Cafe Melange, 24th St.. & 2nd Ave.. In January we will meet at 2:30 at Cafe Melange on Sunday the 16th. Join us.

Betty, 731-7192

Mom's Club

During the past year I have tried different activities to get lesbian moms and their kids together. To my surprise, I have not had the participation I had hoped for. You can help me decide if Mom's Club keeps going or not. Give me a call and let me know your thoughts.

Claire, (530)676-5459

Women in Motion

Are you interested in improving your dance movement, style and techniques? Then join us for new classes which will begin in Oct./Nov. The lessons will be held on Friday evenings at Joseph's Town and Country. The cost is $7.00 per person (in advance) for those paying by the month. If you prefer to pay for one lesson at a time, then the cost is $9.00 per lesson, also payable in advance. The instructors are experienced, friendly, and make it fun. Experience and a partner ARE NOT necessary.

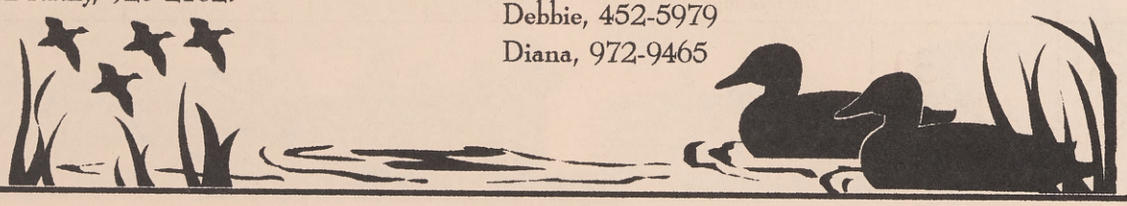
Anna. 916.344.0386
email, annac007@jps.net for the latest information.

Singles Meeting Singles for Fun

- At Faces a SACWN SOCIAL Friday, December 10th 5:30pm - 8:00pm with guitar solists, hors d'oeuvres, DJ
- Sat., Dec. 11,1999 and Jan. 8, 2000 Music & Art Show for WEAVE with Stacey Bartlett & Terry Knight Band
- Thurs., Dec. 16th Dinner, Planning Meeting, Hamburger Mary's at 6:00pm
- Club Indigo R&B, Hip Hop Dance House, Verona Village, Sat., Jan. 8th 10 pm
- Healing Circle 7:00 pm, Friday, Jan. 14th and Feb. 18th.
- Sun. Jan. 16th. @ 1:00 pm. T.V.. Football Potluck

RSVP as event dates and times can change.

Debbie, 452-5979
Diana, 972-9465



ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

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5	6	7	8	9	10 SACWN Social Fool House Poker	11 Singles, Music & Art Show for WEAVE
12 A&E California Crafts Exhibit & Planning mtg	13	14	15	16 Singles Dinner & Planning Mtg.	17	18 Top 10 Xmas Potluck Party
19 Coffee Group Cafe Melange	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

JANUARY

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2	3	4	5	6	7	8 A&E Sac.. Phil. Singles: Club Indigo R&B
9	10	11	12	13	14 Fool Hse Poker Singles Healing Circle	15 A&E "Six Women with Brain Death"
16 Coffee Group Singles T.V. Football Potluck	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Top 10 Table Games	24	25 A&E Lambda Play "Make way for Dyklings"	26	27	28	29
30 Mom's Club Movie & Game Night	31 Mom's Club Movie & Game Night					

REFLECTIONS

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special charities in the community, such as breast cancer research.

In 1999 SACWN sponsored an information and subscribers booth at the Gay Pride Day at Southside Park and at the Rainbow Festival by Faces. SACWN supports the Lesbian community and participation in these gay community events is a demonstration of our commitment to be visible and available to the Lesbian community.

Single Interest Groups (SIG) in 1999 broaden their horizon. There are many SIGs, for example poker group, hiking group, fishing group, camping group, single's group etc. We have many SIGs and SACWN welcomes new ideas, so please call SACWN at (916) 451-8034 if you would like to join an existing SIG or would like to start a new SIG. The SIGs meet on a regular basis and have planned various invigorating activities in 1999.

Well, the above 1999 events demonstrate that SACWN wants to provide its subscribers choices and events that you will appreciate. We need your input and feedback. Please, if you attended any SACWN events in 1999, let us know how we can improve or what you enjoyed from the event (call SACWN at 4451-8034). We thank you for making SACWN a success in 1999 and we look forward to sharing the year 2000 events with you.

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Limited Income	$24.00

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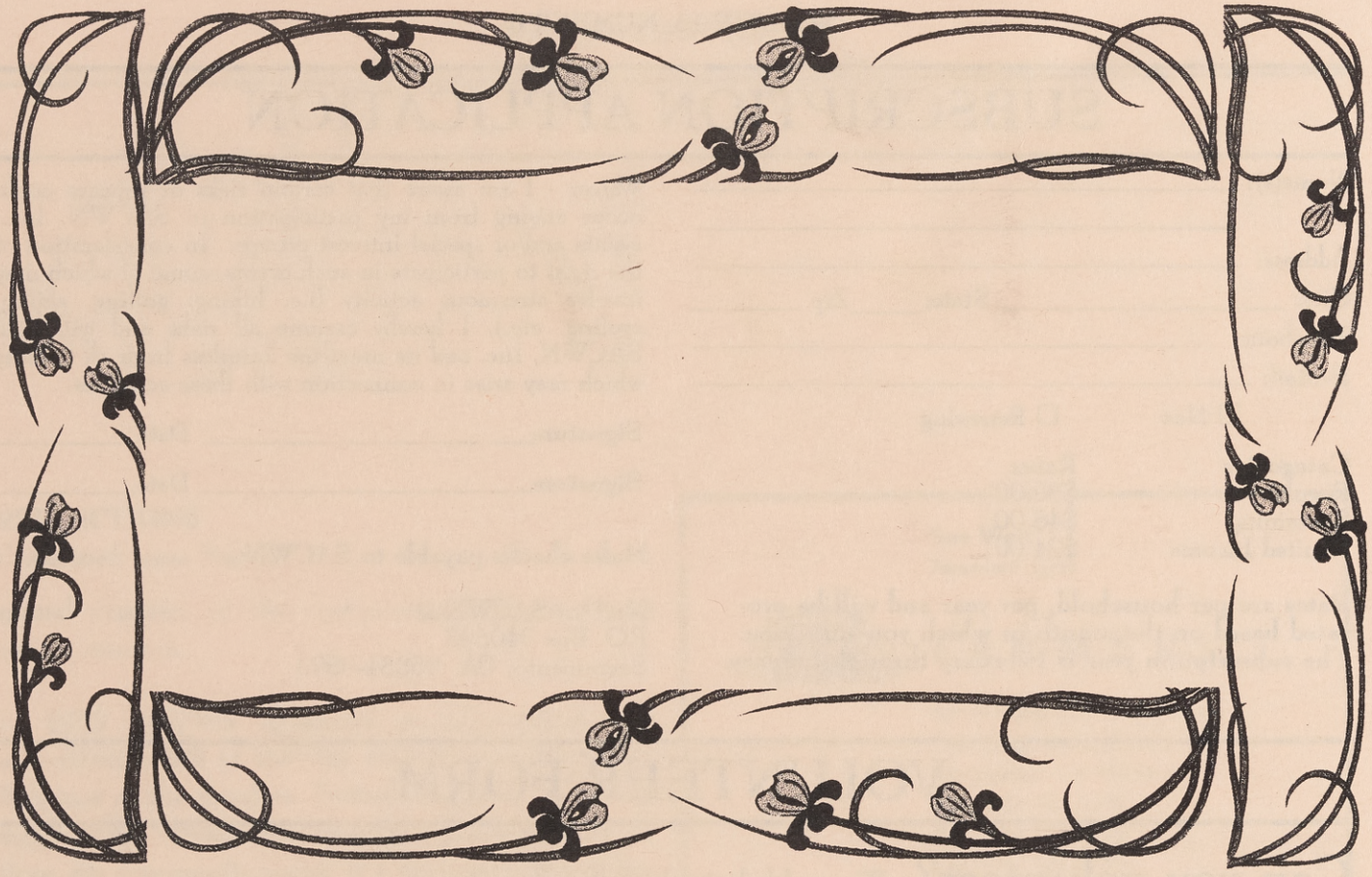

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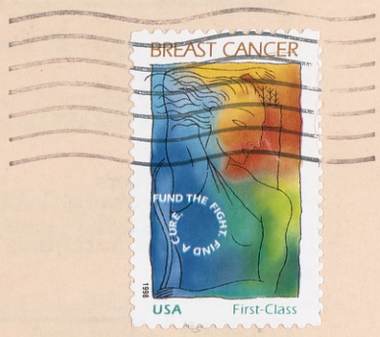

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January 2000

Dear Friend:

SACWN WANTS YOU!!!

We are taking this opportunity to encourage you to join the 200+ women who have come together during the last year to make SACWN a vibrant and vitally renewed organization. With your added membership and participation, we will become even bigger and better in the year 2000.

Last year, we asked you what Sacramento lesbians wanted from SACWN. This year we can proudly report that not only did **we listen** to you, **we acted**. Here is how we handled your top three requests:

You said you wanted SACWN to be more affordable. Not only did we host numerous dances throughout 1999 at only $5.00 per person, we held two picnics which were absolutely free. Also please note the new membership fee of only $24, a reduction of over one-third.

You said you wanted a larger variety of activities. In response, we more than doubled the number of Special Interest Groups, providing a smorgasbord of activities from which to choose.

You said you wanted SACWN to be friendlier, more inclusive. In response, we have worked hard to diversify not only our Steering Committee, but to reach out to and welcome all of the women in our community. From the feedback received, we have made a great strides in this area.

Now all we need is you! We have planned an exciting year ahead which we look forward to sharing with you. Please fill out and return the attached Subscription Application Form so that we may welcome you to our SACWN family.

Sincerely,

SACWN Steering Committee

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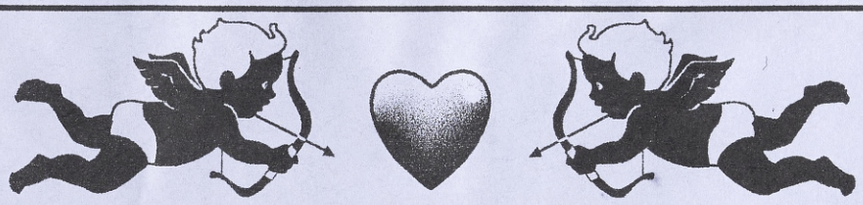

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